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IMPORTS OF OLIVE OIL NOT ADULTERATED.

In reply to the widely-spread newspaper reports that imported olive oil is largely adulterated with cotton seed oil the U. S. Department of Agriculture has issued the following circular of information:

Following the receipt of several inquiries as to whether a large part of the olive oil imported into the United States is adulterated with cotton-seed oil, the Department of Agriculture has made a special investigation

into the state of the olive oil admitted. The government's interest in the matter is twofold; first, to protect the people from getting adulterated olive oil; second, to protect the reputation of olive oil in the interest of olive oil producers in California, Arizona, and other olive-growing sections. Since 1900, the Department, through its various port laboratories, has examined samples from 2149 importations of olive oil. Of these, only ten were refused entry, and only three of these were refused entry for containing cotton-seed oil. These cotton-seed oil adulterations date back to 1908, when two shipments were found to be adulterated, and 1909, when one shipment was found to be adulterated. Since that time, there has been no shipment which has given evidence of cotton-seed oil adulteration. In 1910, seven shipments of olive oil were refused admission because adulterated with peanut oil, and since that time there have been no cases discovered of either cotton-seed oil or peanut oil adulteration. The addition of cottonseed oil to olive oil, the government specialists report, is very easily detected. Indications therefore are that all olive oil admitted to the country and branded as olive oil has been pure olive oil, and has contained no cotton-seed or peanut oil. Occasionally the government discovers shipments of sardines in which the olive oil contains some cottonseed oil. The experts point out that it would be illogical for the importer to bring into this country olive oil adulterated with cotton-seed oil, and pay a duty of 50 cents a gallon on the cotton-seed oil that is contained in the mixture. Similarly, nut oils are admitted under the tariff act, and the specialists say that it would be absurd for an importer to bring from Holland olive oil adulterated with peanut oil, and pay a duty of 50 cents a gallon on the mixture, when he could bring them over separately and avoid paying any duty on the nut oil.

THE SUBTLE POWER OF DISCOURAGEMENT

The most potent factor against success is discouragement. The man who becomes discouraged has already lost half of the battle of life.

Discouragement is the most powerful and yet the most subtle of all forms of human frailty. It is insidious because it is not usually recognized as a sin. Malice, hate, anger, dishonesty, all are disarmed, partially, because man recognizes that they are wrong. He fights them from the very knowledge that they are evils.

But he sees no evil in discouragement. He nurtures it and allows it to assume giant proportions, when he should strangle it at its first appearance. With its growth it saps vitality, destroys character, and converts the spine into a thing of jelly-like consistency. A man, made in the image of God, physically and mentally, becomes, in the latter state at least, a formless creature, under the baleful influence of discouragement.

The Germans have an old story that the *devil* once determined to sell his tools. So he took an invoice of them and set his price upon each one.

There was hate, distrust, malice, theft, murder, lust—all fearful and awesome tools, against which humanity has fought since man was driven from the garden, tools that have crushed the heart and tortured the mind, and have spread sorrow and dispair throughout the world.

Then at last, he took down one tool. It was heavy and wedge shaped and the devil handled it with fondness.

When he set his price upon this tool, those who would buy the devil's outfit marveled. He had asked more for this one tool than for all the others combined.

"Why," asked one, "do you place so high a figure on this tool? What instrument is this that it can be more valuable than all the rest?"

"That," said his majesty, "is the one tool which I use against man when all others have failed. It has brought success to me in my fight against man, when, had I not had it, he would inevitably have been the victor. That is why I prize it so highly. This tool is discouragement. There is no tool like it," continued the Devil. "Men are armed against the others, because they know they are my tools and they hate me. All the other tools are terrifying, and man has learned that he must have his shield ready against them. But this one has none of the appearance of being mine. It does not warn by its appearance. Note its wedge shape. Man is pierced by it, without knowing it. It enters where others cannot; and once it has entered, it slowly presses open the wound till man is vitiated and he surrenders to me without an effort."

Discouragement never should be permitted to enter. Satan knew its power, and the man who permits that tool to escape the shield of Confidence, has an uneven fight for existence.

Confidence, alone, can defeat discouragement. It is the weapon of God against that of the devil; nothing can pierce it.

Have you that confidence? If so keep it ever in view; ever ready to repel the enemy. Keep that shield so that Evil may know it is ready to protect.

Don't let the wedge of the devil's tool of discouragement get a start. Hold up the head, brace the shoulders, and face the fight, and all the powers of evil shall not prevail against you.—J. M. Head in Paint, Oil and Drug Review.